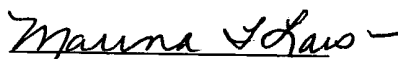


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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This amendment is submitted to cancel claim 14, which was a duplicate claims. No new matter has been added, and no new issues are raised. Thus, entry of the amendment after appeal is appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,



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